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Rain drops jest a-splashin'
Puddles in th' sun
'Tlectin' back th' rainbows
When th' rain is done;
Good, old-fashioned Texas,
Air perfumed an' wet,
Everythin' a-growin',
Oh, she's great, you bet!

—J. M. Lewis.

REDEMPTION.

When ye see these things begin to come to pass, lift up your heads, for your Redemption draweth nigh. (Luke, 21:28.)

This refers to fulness or maturity of Redemption, which begins, according to Eph., 1:7, with the forgiveness of sins and being wrought out reveals unto us the mystery of His will (verse 9): "That in the dispensation of the fulness of times, He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are in earth (10 ver.) Then describing those who are gathered into this unity he says: "That after they had first trusted and believed, they were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise," (13 verse), which is the earnest of our inheritance," (14 verse).

Now remember this was to come in the fulness of times, by the foregoing being wrought out in our lives, we were to know, "That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him."

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints. And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places.

Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come.

And hath put all things under his feet, and gave Him to be the head over all things to the church.

Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. (Eph., 1:17-23.)

According to the 19th and 20th verses, we are to realize in these fulness of times the mighty power which He wrought in Christ when He raised Him from the dead. This is the maturity of Redemption, that all who are worthy should be changed by this resurrection power in

the same condition of Jesus after He arose from the tomb; thereby being united in one glorious Church, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing. When this change takes place, two shall be sleeping in bed, two working in a field, two grinding at a mill, the one taken and the other left. (Matt., 24:40, 41.) These do not take part in the rapture, nor ascend into the clouds to meet the Lord, but as He spent a certain time strengthening believers, building up the Church, so will His glorified Body, the Church, spend a certain time after this change takes place in strengthening the believers, preaching to and healing the multitudes, and like Jesus, have power to appear and disappear at will.

Paul describes this as follows: and as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. (1 Cor., 15:41.)

Now this I say, brethren, flesh and blood (Jesus said a spirit hath not *flesh* and *bones* as ye see me have) cannot inherit the kingdom of God, neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. (50 verse.) By this we can readily see that the people whom Michael delivereth in Rev. 12:7, 11, who enter into the kingdom of our God, are the same ones Paul is here talking about.

"Behold, I shew you a mystery, we shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump (this refers to the 7th trumpet): For the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible and we shall be changed, for this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. (1 Cor., 15:51, 53.) This does not refer to death, nor does it refer

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to the rapture of the Bride, at the personal descent of Jesus. (I Thes., 4:16.) In this 15th chapter from which we have been quoting, Paul does not mean being caught away, nor does he mention it; but declares when "this corruptible shall have put on incorruption and this mortal put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "death is swallowed up in victory (54 verse). Who are the people who shout, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" Why, the people who taste of the powers of the age to come. (Heb., 6:5.) Jesus said of those which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage, neither can they die any more, but are the equal of the angels, and are the children of God. (Luke, 20:34, 35; Rev. Version.)

This will be the experience of all who reach the perfection of Redemption. In the fulness of times, tasting the power of the age to come, they fully preach the kingdom of heaven is at hand and all men press into it. (Luke, 16:16.) Paul is speaking of this rather than death when he says: For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we do groan earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven. If so be that being clothed, we shall not be found naked, for we that are in this tabernacle do groan, not that we should be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality should be swallowed up of life. (II Cor., 5:1, 4.)

Now he that hath wrought us for the self same thing is God, who also hath (begun it by) given us the earnest of the Spirit. (II Cor., 5:5.)

We emphatically declare that this does not pertain to death, for in the 4th verse he says that he does not desire to be unclothed (to die) but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

Again, in the 2nd verse, he was not expecting to go to heaven to receive this building, "but to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven."

Some time ago feeling that God was about to reveal something important to us, we withdrew from men to commune with and wait upon him. One night, whether awake, in vision or in dream, we know not, we beheld a form, beautiful, glistening, neither male nor female, whose features resembled a friend, while just beneath was the earthly person it represented. This beautiful form descending, completely encased the earthly body, and when I beheld my friend not unclothed but clothed

upon, I said: "Lord, what is this?" The answer came, "Redemption."

Paul is earnestly endeavoring to bring the people to realize, as he ever was, the mighty triumph, power and victory that would be given when the church, His body, should all come into unity, unto the fulness of the stature of a perfect man in Christ Jesus. (Eph., 4:13.) No one can realize His feelings as we, who like Paul, have taken up the unity of the Church as a life work, and seek to realize this hope.

"Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

And not only they, but we ourselves also which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves, groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to-wit, the Redemption of our body. (Rom., 8:21, 23.) Adoption does not pertain to the inner man, we have no sympathy with the teaching going abroad over the land that it pertains to the soul. You might just as well adopt an Ethiopian into your family and expect him to turn white, or seek to change the leopard's spots, as to see sinners saved by being adopted into the family of God. They must be born again.

Adoption is the coming Redemption; changing our present corruptible flesh, to be partakers of the Divine nature. (II Peter, 1:4.)

According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love. Having predestined us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ. (Eph., 1:4, 5.)

When Redemption takes place, God will not set a few members in the Church as it pleases Him, but the membership of all ages will come into absolute unity. When this occurs Jesus promises the glory which the Father had given Him to fall on them. (John, 17:22.)

Paul in speaking of the same thing says: Moreover, whom he did predestinate, them he also called, and whom he called them he also justified (being found worthy for the high calling) and whom he justified them he also glorified. (Rom., 8:30.)

We believe it to be an impossibility for any one to have adoption, to-wit: the redemption, or membership in the Church, all of gold, which is His Body, who are not of His own blood, the seed of Abraham; "Who are Israelites to whom pertaineth the adoption and the glory

ing forsaken us, we are compelled to do these things or beg, we patronize the sinner and give it our vote, now let them return the favor, and come along and help us, It seems that heaven is bankrupt,

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and the covenants, and the giving of the law and the service of God and the promise. (Rom., 9:4.)

For whom he did foreknow he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He (His body, the Church) might be the first born of many brethren. (Rom., 8:29.)

"To be conformed to the image of His Son" would mean to be recreated in Christ Jesus; then the Church instead of being a hiss and a by-word, despised and trampled upon by every foul-mouthed, blasphemous infidel, would obtain dominion and authority, realize the glory of the sixth day creation, becoming the Church all of gold of which the Ark of the Old Testament is the anti-type.

As no one was allowed to touch or even steady the Ark of the Covenant, except divinely appointed, so with this Church, all of gold, no one will dare touch, harm, or criticise it without realizing the curse of God upon him. We have an imitation of the true Church in the world to-day. Any one who does not receive them, they curse; this is terrible!

The people of Redemption will walk as Jesus walked, blessing, not in cursing; but the same God who withered the man's hand and arm for trying to steady the Ark, will also take care of all the devilish cranks and higher critics who dare oppose the everlasting gospel crusade.

It was after Jesus rose from the grave that He said all power is given me in Heaven and earth. Thus when Redemption takes place, the power of resurrection reaches the Church, they will step forth having powers over all the power of the enemy, tasting the power of the age to come, when "the gold and the silver will be thrown to the moles and bats."

In the past and even now, the best of us need money for clothes, shelter, and to travel.

When Jesus came forth from the tomb, He left His grave clothes there, yet appeared to Mary, who shortly met Him, as the gardener; later walking unrecognized to Emmaus with two disciples, appearing and disappearing at will. If Philip, who had the first fruits of the Spirit, could ride far down into Arabia, preach to the Ethiopian, from thence to be caught away by the Spirit and carried back to Samaria, can we not—in the fulness of the restitution of all things, by adoption, to-wit, the Redemption of our body,—be enabled to traverse the earth at will. In the age to come,—“there is no burning heat nor bitter cold.” Now under the present circumstances, it is a physical impossibility to carry the

Gospel to many tropical and frigid points; but under the power of Redemption, as the angel (Gr. angels, equal of the angels) the Church shall go forth having the everlasting gospel to preach to them that dwell in the earth and to every nation and kindred and tongue and people, saying with a loud voice: Fear God, and give glory to Him for the hour of His judgment is come. (Rev., 14:6, 7.)

By reference to Eph., 1, you will find that the sealing of the Holy Spirit of promise (which is evidenced by the gift of tongues) being baptized by one spirit into one body, occurs before they realize the mighty power which he wrought in Jesus Christ when He raised Him from the dead, and "put all things under His feet." "His feet" signify that even the lowest members in the Body, the Church, are stepping victoriously over all things. Thus by tasting of the power of the age to come, when the devil is bound, the people who obtain this Redemption shall have escaped the power of the devil, before their age closes. "And there was war in Heaven, Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels; and prevailed not; neither was there place found any more in Heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil, and satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in Heaven,—Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ; for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before God day and night.

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto death. (Rev., 12:7, 12.)

In this lesson Heaven is a figure of the spiritual plane where those who have obtained the image of the heavenly dwell, while the earth is the abode of those who remain earthly.

Again: At that time shall Michael stand up, the great Prince which standeth for the children of thy people and there shall be a time of trouble such as there never was since there was a nation, even to that same time. And at that time thy people shall be delivered every one that shall be found written in the book. (Dan. 12:1.)

Nor are the living the only ones privileged to come into this Redemption, but as Paul says, the dead are raised and many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life (Redemption)

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and some to shame and everlasting contempt. (Judas Iscariot, the Anti-Christ and his assistants.) (Dan., 12:2.) The living changed, the dead raised, the unity of the Body accomplished; the glorious Church without spot or wrinkle, having the same mind, judgment, seeing eye to eye, led by the true Elijah (who will have arisen to the utter confusion of all imitators) go forth with the Everlasting gospel, preaching in all languages, clothed with all power. Multitudes will be saved and healed, the Scriptures verified; and hath put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be Head over all things to the Church, which is His Body; the fulness of Him that filleth all in all. (Eph., 1:22, 23.)

And they that be wise shall shine, as the firmament and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever. (Dan., 12:3.)

These truths of Redemption are what Daniel was told, to shut up the word and seal the book, even to the time of the end, when many shall peruse to and fro (literal Hebrew) and knowledge shall be increased (concerning this matter). (Dan., 12:4.) This reveals the mystery of the 7th trumpet which John was commanded to seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered and write them not. (Rev., 10:4.) No wonder that the angel swore that there should be delay no longer (literal Greek). How joyous the angel must have been to proclaim that the year of the redeemed had come! For when the seventh angel sounded, the mystery of God was fulfilled as he hath declared to his servants, the prophets; (7th verse) this mystery was Redemption.

The book contained the membership of Christ's Church, so when John had consumed in his own body the book of names, he became a type of the true Church and was told, as the Church will be,—thou must prophesy again, before many peoples and nations and tongues and kings (verse 11). Paul says of the same: I show you a mystery, we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. (I Cor., 15:51.)

The transfiguration of Jesus was also a type of our coming Redemption; as His natural body was glorified and there appeared with Him Moses and Elijah, so in these last days the Body, the Church, will be glorified; containing in its membership the saints of all ages who are worthy. Daniel was told: "Go thou thy way till the end be, for thou shalt rest and stand in thy lot in the end of days." (Dan., 12:13.)

The scattering of the power of the holy people takes up the first three years and a half of the last seven

years. Daniel received this fact from the same angel who gave the book to John

And I heard the man, clothed in linen, who was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto Heaven, and swore by Him that liveth forever, that it shall be for a time, times and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the hold people, all these things shall be finished. (Dan., 12:7.)

This coupled with a little over three years and a half of the Anti-Christian abomination (Dan., 12:11) takes up the time from when the Jews return till the coming of Christ.

Thus is He made unto us Wisdom, Righteousness, Sanctification and Redemption. (I Cor., 1:30.) As the signs are in the world that portend His coming, we may look up for the time is at hand, delay is no longer. Set your house in order. (Isa., 38:1.) Cast your all at His feet, then can you truly rejoice in that day, in that you were hated, despised, rejected, forsaken, and were not, for God took you. Many have been eligible to membership, but the Church has never been "set in order," tho' great has been the effort of man, all such attempts will result in failure; the work belongs to God.

Being truly recreated in Christ Jesus is a deeper step than Christ formed in you the hope of glory (sanctification—Adamic perfection); while recreation means (sixth day created perfection, His own image); old things *all* pass away, behold all things become new.

To those who obtain this blessing the acme of existence will be obedience to Christ the living Head. Keeping this thought in view, what an utter impossibility of any or all churches ever reaching or accomplishing the work yet to be done before the coming of the Lord. The time being so short and so few people ready or willing to do the work caused us to wait upon God to find out His plan rather than waste a lot of time and human effort in building cities, Bible schools and organizing people to do what God has fore-ordained to be wrought out on a spiritual plane. Watch and pray, that ye may be accounted worthy.

The work of the Church militant is fast closing, opening the way for the Church triumphant. When truly *born* of the Spirit—(that which is born of flesh is flesh that which is born of spirit is spirit. John, 3:6.) They go forth conquering and to conquer, probably continue their labours on through the reign of Anti-Christ. The preaching of this Church will be attended with all signs, wonders and mighty deeds; multitudes hang upon the

ing forsaken us, we are compelled to do these things or beg. We patronize the saloon and give it our vote, now let them return the favor, and come along and help us. It seems that heaven is bankrupt,

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gospel message. A revival sweeps the earth. All parts of the world hear the word at once. Thousands are turned to righteousness; thus will this vain, skeptical world be brought face to face with the power and majesty of Christ revealed in His Church, before the awful plunge into the darkness of Anti-Christ's reign.

Already the Dragon tail is drawing a third part of the stars of heaven, after him. See the terrible drift of the modern ministry into higher criticism, which is the anteroom of infidelity: These will diligently seek to undetermine the work of the Church, for although some would think that if such manifestations occur, all would believe; that it not true. See how in these days when mighty miracles are wrought, these agnostic imps of hell, in guise of higher criticism, filling the pulpit of the churches, work havoc among the Lord's sheep, robbing them of every vestige of comfort and faith, if that were possible. Yet the elect shall triumph over all opposing forces.

Having given the Bible teaching on Divine Healing to refute the counterfeit claims of medical, mental and Christian Science, also the Bible teaching of the gift of the Holy Ghost, evidenced by speaking with tongues to refute counterfeit trans-mediums, we endeavor in this chapter to refute the counterfeit materializing and dematerializing of spirits by a revelation of the glorious church, who have true Bible power to appear and disappear as the Father shall have need of them.

This, then, will settle the question that has been harrassing the minds of the people about "forsaking all, leaving husband or wife or children, etc. As long as this age lasts, we are bound to obey the teaching for his age, and he that provideth not for his own family is worse than an infidel. (I Tim., 5:8.) If your family is unwilling to follow you, or you have not faith enough in God to supply their needs you will of necessity have to care for them, until this Redemption takes place, thus to enter "the power of the age to come."

This, then, is the election, high-calling, adoption, foreordination, predestination, Redemption, desired, groaned for by prophets, apostles, saints; the joint-heirship; manifestation of the sons of God, revelation of the glorious church.

And the Lord shall be seen over them, and His arrow shall go forth as the lightning and the Lord God shall blow the trumpet and shall go with whirl winds of the south.

The Lord of hosts shall defend them; and they shall devour and subdue with sling stones; and shall drink

and make a noise as through wine; and they shall be filled like bowls, and as the corners of the altar. And the Lord their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people; for they shall be as stones of a crown lifted up as an ensign upon his hand. (Mar. lifting themselves up; glittering.)

For how great is His (mar., *their*) goodness, (mar., goodliness) and how great is His beauty; corn shall make the young men cheerful (mar., flourish; literal, bud forth) and new wine the maids. (Zech. 9:14, 17.)

Consecrate your life, fully obtain the Holy Spirit, the sealing of the Bride, become worthy to be baptized by one spirit into one body, thereby reaching Redemption, which is our birth-right; sell it not for a mess of pottage.

Brunner, Texas, October 9, 1905.

After Bro. Parham with the company of workers left Houston for Baxter Springs, the remainder of the band was divided into two companies, one going to Orchard and the other to Brunner, where daily services at 10 o'clock a. m. and 8 o'clock p. m., begun by them in the "Christian Witness" Tabernacle on Washington street, August 22, and continued until October 8. And truly the intervening days were momentous ones to the people who lived so near that they could attend the revival for that is what God in His love granted us, notwithstanding the days were very hot, dry and sultry. And it was a very great and marvelous outpouring of His Holy Spirit so that the main subject of conversation all over town was concerning the meeting. The Holy Spirit has moved among us in His majesty like some mighty king, showering His gifts among loving subjects, for to us He has been indeed "fairer than the children of men," as He has lifted the burdens of sin and sickness from the hearts and bodies of men. "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised." When I think I will try and tell of the marvellous works of God just during these few weeks my heart fails me, for I know I cannot begin to tell of the great blessings He has in this time brought to Brunner and vicinity. The third night after this series of meetings commenced there were seekers at the altar and the altar was generally full and often crowded from that time on, every night but three or four until the close of the meetings. We do not "count heads," for God keeps the record on His Book, but there must have been more than one hundred conversions—real *old-fashioned, apostolic-day*, conversions, followed in most cases by sanctification—and

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in many by the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, evidenced by speaking in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Besides multitudes who were healed in answer to prayer, and many others who have been helped. Many handkerchiefs have been sent to absent sick folk after prayer, and the sick were healed. One woman was healed of a tumor of eight years standing, and one little child who had drunk water in which matches had been soaked, and who was in great agony, was almost immediately healed. An old lady, who had suffered greatly with rheumatism and dropsy was greatly helped. And I can not tell of the many cases of severe colds, lung troubles, sick headaches, stomach trouble and "divers diseases" out of which God has delivered those who have put their trust in Him. "The Lord of hosts is with us," "Sing for the honor of His name, make His praise glorious." Toward the close of the meetings the people were so eager to tell what God had done for them that the preachers could find no time, in some of the meetings, to wedge in a sermon between the testimonies and the altar service, so quietly listened to sermons by the audience. They say their souls have been saved, their bodies have been healed, their hearts have been made glad, their homes have been made happy, and that they can never tell what great things the Lord has done for them through the message of the Gospel of the Kingdom. This Pentecostal shower of the 20th century must surely be the beginning "whirl" of the warning sound of the Clock of Time just before it strikes the last hour, at the coming of the King before whose triumphant march every kingdom of the earth will crumble into dust and "become as the chaff of the summer threshing floor." Happy, indeed, he who "makes peace" with the Son while He is in the way, "lest He be angry and ye perish from the way when His wrath is kindled but a little." To show how the people are learning to pray and trust for themselves: While sitting on the steps of our little cottage, which the people have provided us, free of rent, a man came to ask us to pray for two sick people, and told us that while he was telling a sick man how God had wonderfully healed his little child the man asked him to pray that he might be healed of chills and boils and fever, so I told him if he would forsake his wicked ways and give his heart to God he would; and when the man consented he prayed and the sick man was instantly healed, as by a mighty miracle. One of the most touching and interesting incidents occurred on the last Saturday night of the revival, when a gray haired man of sixty knelt

his heart was changed and he is now serving the Lord, and able to go on with his daily work. Another beautiful incident: The people of Chaneyville, another Houston suburb town, who have been regular attendants at the Tabernacle, held a little cottage prayer meeting one night at the closing of our meetings, and two of the number received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, evidenced by speaking in other tongues! And the only teacher among them that night was the Holy Spirit Himself. One Brunner lady, who had received the Baptism, was called by phone about 2 o'clock one night to pray for a woman suddenly taken with severe cramps, so she and her husband united their prayers with the sick woman and her husband, and the sick one was instantly healed at the altar with his sweet little grand daughter of ten, face shining as an angel, in his arms, both seeking the Baptism of the Holy Ghost—and the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues was granted the grandfather. This same man, a few nights before, while kneeling at the altar, was as it appeared to him, enveloped by a sort of halo, while he heard a voice saying to him: "There be some sitting here who shall not taste of death, for the Son of Man is soon coming," and he has the assurance he will be one of those favored ones, he is faithful to what God shows him. The numbers attending the 8 o'clock services have varied, probably from two to five hundred, and even the morning Bible studies have been well attended, while the Thursday fast days have been genuine feast days of good things from Father's table. The people have been intensely interested up to the very last, but there are so many other places where the Gospel must be proclaimed we can not tarry longer. The people show their love and gratitude by providing countifully for all our needs, and even adding many luxuries in the way of food, etc., besides they have given money enough into the treasury, without any begging or soliciting, to keep the work of God moving on. While the enemy has not space for all the wonderful things that are has been acquainted with all his movements and various tactics, and has led us on to certain and glorious victory. Praise His name. "The Lord liveth, and blessed be our Rock, and let the God of our salvation be exalted." H. C.

The smooth man has a hard road ahead of him.
No soul was ever yet caught by a street trap smile.
No one needs to sit still while waiting on the Lord.
The people will go to the church that gives itself to them.

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ON THE FIRING LINE IN GALVESTON, TEXAS.

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The Lord God of Heaven and Earth is working wonders in Galveston.

On the streets men stand and look and listen in amazement to wonderful things they see and hear about the Gospel of the Kingdom as the Scripture saith "This Gospel of the Kingdom must be preached in every nation as a witness, then the end will come." I have not space for all the wonderful things that are happening here, but I will give some of them. One Tuesday night two of the lady workers preached and the power fell so that strong men fled before the power of God and tried to run away from conviction, but two or three nights later were coming back, and are almost persuaded to lay their burdens at Jesus feet.

On this night (Tuesday), Miss Bessie Tuthill prayed in an African dialect and a man in the congregation told what she was saying and was so convinced of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and the evidence of speaking in tongues that two nights later he came to the altar and was reclaimed. And the same night an old man 74 years old came and was reclaimed. One night in a street meeting a German sailor boy heard the gospel and came to the hall and the next night was converted and the next night sailed for Germany and took the full gospel with him, also one of Bro. Parham's books.

The next day after he was converted the rest of the sailors were astonished not to hear him swear, when things went wrong.

Friday night on the street one of the young men declared to the people that the Kingdom of Heaven had come nigh to them just the same as it did to the people of Jerusalem on the day of Pentacost and that they could see and hear for themselves every night in the hall, the same sign to the unbelievers as was given to the unbelievers of Jerusalem. And immediately a young lady of Galveston spoke in several languages and interpreted and sang the song, "Tis the Old Time Religion" and interpreted it. While she was talking a man came up and asked one of the men where that girl was from, and the man asked why, and he said she was speaking the Hindoo language. Then the man whom he addressed told him that was his daughter, for it happened to be her father. Praise God for such undeniable proofs to the word of God and the truth of the Gospel of the Kingdom. After going into the hall the young lady that was called on to lead the testimony meeting gave her testimony in a foreign language and could not speak English until the testimony meeting was over. Glory to God for more than one language in which to praise Him, and give Him glory.

THE MEETING AT RICHMOND, TEXAS.

The meeting was freighted with power, and the lead-

ing men of the city said it was the Gospel, pure and straight. And some of the preachers spoke highly of the work and said it was Bible, but they could not present it to their people (for they did not want the gospel straight.)

Some preachers talk about spiritual healing, but I don't see in my Bible where it says anyone gets spiritually sick, but it says, "The soul that sinneth it shall die." And that was what was the matter with Richmond; it was not spiritually sick, but spiritually dead. It was called the hardest town in the state as to religion. The workers went there and sowed lots of good seed and reaped some of the harvest. There were six (6) converted in the meeting, five (5) sanctified and quite a number healed. One lady that the doctors could not do anything for was healed of constipation.

Mrs. Schmidt was healed of consumption in the last stages; she had it for nine years, the last three years of which time she was a constant sufferer. She would nearly cough herself to death every morning and could hardly sleep at night. She was prayed for twice and was perfectly healed. Now she has no cough and sleeps well and is enjoying a good appetite. Glory be to the name of Jesus, who healeth all our diseases. One German, who had used tobacco, both chewing and smoking, for 45 years, quit during the meeting, although there was nothing said about tobacco. Well, to whom belongeth all the glory, just took the taste for it out of him and he gave it up willingly, and gladly. As the Scripture hath said: Paul may plant and Apolos may water, but it is God that giveth the increase. So the rest of the harvest is left with the husbandman.

HENRY G. TUTHILL.

A LAWYER'S KNOWLEDGE OF SCRIPTURE.

Whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. Appos of knowledge, that such as is outlined in the following should vanish, all will readily agree, viz:

A firm of lawyers having carried the business of the day into the wee small hours, and in order that the particular work might be finished within a given time, were adjuring each other to return at a certain time the next morning, when one remarked that by the help of God he would be there at 8 o'clock to resume the work, when the other banteringly asked him what he knew about God, and he replied, "Many things." The other thereupon laughingly offered to wager ten dollars that the other could not repeat the Lord's Prayer. The other put ten dollars on the table and told his partner to cover it, which he did, and the one accepting the wager commenced and recited as follows:

"Now I lay me down to sleep,

After which the other, picking up the money, handed it to his partner, saying: "Well, John, the money is yours, but I did not think you could do it."

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REV. PARHAM'S ZIONIST TALK.

Owing to the fact that our last Zionist rally was a far greater success in every way than the first, I have been requested to write an article for the press that will reach the multitudes interested who were turned away unable to gain admission.

Will it solve the Jewish question? Several things are of great importance in this movement and it is my purpose to record its progress. It is probable that in all history no movement of such interest and magnitude was ever undertaken. Zionism is the result of individualistic effort; and a gigantic undertaking is summed up in the word Zionism, and were it not for the fact that God is leading, and all scriptures agree that now is the time we should faint by the way. There are 13,000,000 Jews scattered all over the world, and intricately connected with its political and financial interests. Their extraction and re-establishment as a nation means more than pen can now describe.

Palestine is now controlled by the Turk, a formidable barrier, but his consent, coupled with all nations, except Russia, to relinquish the same, lends us great encouragement.

Zionism was born as a result of fierce anti-Semitism and ridiculous prejudice against the Jew because he is a Jew. In August, 1897, 200 delegates met in Basle, Switzerland, representing all classes of the Jewish race.

Dr. Theo. Herzl was elected to preside, assisted by Dr. Max Nordau and Israel Zangwill, the London poet.

This congress discussed the Jews, their condition and remedy, each year growing in interest. The congress has convened either in Basle or London. The last congress, in August, contained 592 delegates. This last convention voted the establishment of the Jewish Colonial Trust bank, capitalized at two million pounds sterling—the interest to be used not only in the purchase but improvement of Palestine. The predominant feature is to restore Palestine to the Jew and eventually the Jewish nation entire. Says Dr. Friedenwald: "It is our aim to extend Zionism until it embraces all Jews, whether rich or poor, whether pious or rationalist."

The fact that Turkey needs funds and is sorely pressed, lends a rainbow hue to Israel's clouds.

The Jewish race contains every element for safe and equitable government. Among them are found the highest types of moral and intellectual life. From the mechanical and farming classes of Europe to the scholarly and business Jews of England and America, every characteristic of a powerful and staunch government are found, while under the general protectorate of civilized nations Jerusalem would grow and flourish. For, the heathen of the world intellectually. Religiously and politically, the Jews are already a nation with a representative form of government to secure their title to rightful inheritance. As to the remedy for existing evils of anti-Semitism, we quote Herbert Bentwich: "We see before us but three alternatives—the maintenance of status quo, with all its attendant evils of persecution and continual retrogradation of our people, or voluntary amalgamation with the surrounding people, involving the deepest disgrace and surrender of all that our fathers have toiled and suffered for during the ages; or attempt to regenerate our country and people in accordance with our historical consciousness."

This latter clause is in accord with Jewish prophecies. The horrible massacres in Russia and prejudice in other countries have increased until the Jews are suffering today almost equal to the days of the inquisition. The scriptures declare that the Jews will oppose in a measure the restoration, saying, "We will not return," but God says, "I will put the sword behind and they shall go." "I will bring them from the north, country first" (Russia).

We see in the awful crimes in Russia the hand of Jehovah moving the Jewish clans to the aid of their leaders, and these conditions call the nations to immediate action, thus paving the way for a realization of Zionism's hope.

Prof. Herron says: "No reform for man's betterment without inner soul culture is of lasting benefit." The

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crusades of old, called kings from their thrones and princes from their castles. These, together with their feudal slaves, joined for release of Palestine, only to lose.

How much greater the soul cultivating work of zionism, which by peaceful means and extended hands of brotherhood to Christianity seek by a recognition of the brotherhood of mankind (yet proud of their distinction, as to race and patriotic as a nation), pray for the release of the lands of their fathers.

With few exceptions, Zionism stands for the spiritual as well as the temporal welfare of the Jewish race.

May God hasten the day when this awful prejudice between Jew and Gentile shall cease, when Messiah shall reign and earth keep her jubilee a thousand years, the sword a shear, the spear a pruning hook and nations shall have war no more.

CHAS. F. PARHAM.

THERE REALLY WAS A JONAH.

Dr. Lowry Declares the Bible Story Is to Be Taken Literally.

At the Calvary Baptist church Dr. J. O'B. Lowry last evening reviewed the recent utterances of Dr. Lyman Abbott of Brooklyn in regard to the character and books of Job and Jonah. The Brooklyn preacher had spoken of these Bible characters as being merely figurative.

Dr. Lowry said in part: "We do not ordinarily pay men to disturb the title of property, or to engender a lack of confidence in life. The need of the day is not more honest doubt, but 'more of honest faith.' It is honest doubt which has disturbed the commercial life of the world. In everything it is honest faith that is needed.

"In the religious world this is also true. Why should we dodge the supernatural? If God could make Jonah and the sea monster, why could He not entomb Jonah as He saw fit?

"But the main point is this: Jesus reaffirmed the statement in regard to Jonah (Matthew, v.) and the sea monster. It is therefore, between Christ and Dr. Abbott that we must make a choice."

THE SOCIETY OF BROTHERS OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH AT MELROSE AND KEELVILLE, KAN.

Send love and greeting to all those who are in Christ, who walk not after the flesh. (Rom., 8:4, 6.)
And also who are earnestly seeking the way of salva-

tion and life; who are tired of creed and formalities; and are seeking Jesus; we send love and sympathy. Almost two years ago Bro. C. F. Parham came among us preaching the way of salvation and life, to all those who would believe and receive the full Gospel as recorded in Holy Writ. But he found us a stiff necked people. We were so bound up in creed and tradition of men, that we just "set back" in the harness and our long deaf ears refused to hear the Bible. My! yes, dignified we were; not ready to endure sound doctrine. (II Tim., 4:3, 4.) But praise be to Christ our Lord, who gives us the victory; Bro. Parham was determined to preach nothing (no creeds or tradition) but Jesus and him crucified.

I Cor., 2:2.) Preaching Jesus, his teaching, his salvation and life and power to heal. Bro. Parham sure preached God's Holy Word straight from the shoulder, in chunks big and pure and hard enough to knock the scales from our eyes. Tradition, formalism, sectarianism and all other isms began to peel off and made us sick to hear God's truths once again. But he had even to tear the fig leaves off some of us before we began to cry out, men and brethren. (Acts, 2:37.) People began to pray in earnest for full salvation; and God came in mighty power to save, to cleanse, to heal; and all praised God for "Old Time Religion" once more returned to bless and to fill them with joys unspeakable and full of glory. (I Pet., 1:8.) Some prayed on until they received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues as a witness and have gone out to preach the good tidings of great joy to others, consecrated to work for Jesus.

While there is joy and gladness,

There is also sorrow and sadness.

The seed did not all fall on good ground (Matt., 13:4-10); but when the hot blasts of persecution came from (pretended) friends and they began to call us by all kinds of pet names and held their garments pharisaically and passed by on either side; it was too much, and some returned to (II Pet., 2:22). They could not watch and pray with Jesus one hour in the Garden of Gethsemane, or stand at His side in the judgment hall of the High Priests of tradition and churchology; but stopped at the outer court (Luke, 22: 51, 56) by the flickering blaze built with little rotten sticks of creeds, and getting their eyes blinded by the black smoke of tradition and formality. Oh! why not go into the judgment hall and stand with Jesus and not deny? He is on trial today, so are you. If we suffer with Him we shall also reign with Him. (II Tim., 2:12.) Glorious promise. Why shrink and cower at the frowns of men

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lose a crown of glory? When Peter got away from the flickering blaze and got into God's bright sunlight and wept the smoke (tradition and fear of creeds) out of his eyes, and kept praying till he was baptized of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost; then he was ready to have gone with Jesus to the judgment hall and to have died for Him. So may you. But will you? Why not? Because you fail to stand. (Eph., 6:12, 13.)

Dear ones, wake up; trim your lamps, be ready, watch and pray. (Luke, 12:35, 37; Rev., 16:15.)

Get filled with the Holy Ghost, be faithful and true to Jesus. Be full of love, meekness and righteousness, and overcome the world. (I John, 5:4; Rev., 2:7.) Then we shall love His glorious appearing. (Rev., 22:20.)

Yours in love with Christ.

ED. C. AULTMAN.

THEY BROTHER'S BLOOD CRIES FROM THE SANDS OF FORMALISM.

Before me another day's journey out in the din and strife, the surge and the motley of life. As I press on for Jesus, raising my fellow-man from beneath the feet of this surging multitude, and pointing him to the cross of Christ, I see struggling humanity in chaos, rush along through groveling paths of selfishness.

Many are the thirsty mortals amid this gaping throng in their eagerness to lay hold upon something which will satisfy, and instead are fed with dogmas, creeds or ancient legends, never finding the soothing waters of simple Christianity.

But upon the "scorching sands of formalism" they sink, while modern Christianity draws the slimy cloak of Theosophy and higher criticism about them and blind guides wander with them over great rocks of metaphysics down into a beautiful valley of mild myth, which like a great poppy field, daze the minds of this mighty host of innocents who continue to stagger along, doubting and cursing until theological definitions outrage the intelligence of modern worshipers who strive to uphold in feeble mockery the teachings of the "Man of Sorrows."

Do you not see, dear reader, the bands of that curse which must come upon the earth slowly tighten while your brother's blood cries against you from the ruins of crumbling dogmas?

Let me beseech you, dear one, to buckle on God's full armor and step into the arena to do battle against this monster which lords itself over primitive Christianity, for surely the hand of God writes on the walls of dead forms and creeds.

Under these conditions we can see no peace or power for the Church unless it takes God's word for all it means, accepting and teaching the full gospel to heal, together with the rest of the gifts of the Spirit, as well as the fruits. So the perplexed minister can not find an answer to the question regarding the creeds of the churches, for faith is vital, mobile, constantly en-

larging as the years go by. Creeds never change; they no longer meet the demands of the twentieth century Christianity.

The world of science and art has actually reached the zenith where modern Christianity dare not look, but crouches in ignorance, while man's puny imitation of God's real power holds high carnival in men's hearts.

It is possible that in the gray dawn of the twentieth century wise men of the East (Japan) shall weigh modern worship and morality upon the golden scales of time.

Now the once prided theory of formalistic Christianity stands under the stairway of years and falling upon it is a cloud of dust, each grain a poor, misled soul to cry out against it at the great White Throne.

Already the great Clock of Prophecy has boomed forth the eleventh hour, but far above the grinding cogs and hideous din a just God rules, and I see rising out of this great sea of human iniquity a flaming cross around which folds a banner upon whose crest there burns like the aurora "Apostolic Faith" in letters of golden truth.

There marches with martial tread men and women with lips drawn in pity, and with authority to stand amid confusion and deliver to the world a message from the God of Heaven which means the restoration of the Faith once delivered to the saints, the simple teachings of Jesus preached in full to a lost world.

Then awake to the fact that true men and women are needed to carry to suffering humanity the full gospel of Jesus, lest the dawn of His second coming find you fruitless and you be cursed like the fig tree. Are you a true, consecrated being for this "Mighty Jesus," or are you of those numberless creatures who pine out a fruitless life and at last lay down among the white-faced sleepers in some green city of silence to awake some day to "shame" and everlasting contempt.

God have mercy upon these poor souls.

I now ask, Does it pay to be a fruitless tree?

"Does it pay, I wonder, to never stop,

In ceaseless rush and care,

And list to the songs of bird and brook

Or wander through woodlands fair;

To never think of what lies beyond

The narrow sphere of today,

Till the new life dawns on our untired souls—

I wonder does it pay?"

THOMAS R. MILLER.

A brilliant yet earnest clergyman "down in Connecticut" has a youngster that is a chip of the block. The sire was explaining in fatherly fashion and pleading with his son, when the youth looked up in his eyes and inquired with equal candor, "Do you mean this, pa, or are you only preaching?"

There is something wrong with the home that is not the happiest place on earth.

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The little band of workers here is just making the town ring with the gentle gospel truths, and we praise Him for the results in the hearts of the people, for the seed is truly taking root in many hearts, and we praise Him now by faith for the harvest which we know will follow. We have secured the opera house for the services, and every morning promptly at 9 o'clock the rent is paid. A cottage has been offered us, rent free, should we stay longer than this week, and all sorts of good things in the way of food are brought to us. So you see the Lord is good to us, and we feel that we are where He wants us. The Lord grants success to His own Word preached on the street and in the hall where we have good audiences of deeply interested hearers and the best of order. The revivalistic spirit broke over us last night and we expect soon to have full altars.

GALVESTON.

We have the use of a good sized hall which is seated to hold about five hundred, the street car company furnishing many of the chairs free. The attendance on the streets, docks and in the hall is large, and the people are deeply interested as they listen to the glad message of the gospel of the kingdom, full and free. The financial condition is good. Expenses for rents, lights, food, etc., are comfortably met by the Father's bountiful hand. We praise God for the opportunity of sending the truth to nearly all the world through the sailors of different nations who crowd to hear the Word of God as Jesus taught it. We praise God for the might of His spirit in whose strength we march steadily on.

HOUSTON.

We have not attempted to open up any continued work here since Bro. Parham and workers left in August, though we held occasional street meetings with good attendance, and Bro. Parham held one all-day meeting the Sunday after his return. Since then the workers have been scattered, going to different fields to continue their labors, leaving several in the city of Houston, where they may be found every evening on the street corners telling the vast crowds of God and His power to save and heal. We feel that the light of the true gospel has broken over this city, and soon we must leave the work with those whose homes are here while we go on to carry the good news where it has never yet been heard.

KATY.

The meetings here commenced in a school house, but it would not begin to hold the crowds, as the people filled the aisles, stood outside and listened at the windows, and sat in their buggies. Now the use of a large ware room has been secured and provided with seats, so all can be accommodated. The entire town and neighboring country, with a few exceptions, are deeply interested in the true gospel as it has been represented. Some of those who had thought they were Christian have publicly confessed their mistake, and

at the altar have sought and found a satisfying portion in real, old-fashioned experimental religion of Jesus Christ. Conviction for sin rests upon the people, and a real hunger for the knowledge of God is manifested among all classes. Some have been healed in answer to prayer, and this truth is being widely accepted. The financial part of the work has been well kept up, and the interest continues to grow, so we are expecting large numbers to be brought into the light of God's full salvation.

Besides these places where regular services are being conducted by our people, a lady who accepts the full gospel as for us today in the twentieth century, and who is a member of the executive committee of the W. C. T. U., had a glorious opportunity during the late convention near Austin of sowing precious truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ all over the great State of Texas through a talk she had opportunity of giving during devotional exercises one day. And the Lord truly did anoint her with great power as she told them how God had wrought wonders in her city by saving, sanctifying and baptizing by the Holy Ghost, also by healing the multitudes. Then she told them of the near coming of Christ, and reasoned with them of the immediate need of getting ready to meet Him lest they be too late. Also warned them to take heed lest they rejected any of God's little ones who might visit their several towns, lest they be found fighting against God.

THE ARK OF THE COVENANT.

The statement is made by those who claim to know that Rev. Dr. Crosby believes that the Jewish Ark of the Covenant, containing the original tablets of stone on which the Ten Commandments were written, will some of these days be found in the excavations under Jerusalem. It is known that there are immense vaults below the city, and it is supposed by many archaeologists that much of the stone used in building the Temple was taken from them. As yet no explorations have been made with the liberal aid of the electric light. When the subterranean caverns shall be illuminated by electricity the Christian public may prepare for astounding discoveries.—*N. Y. Times.*

We studied for years as to what would be the most certain article to turn the eyes of Jewry homeward. We finally decided that the Ark of the Covenant, the most precious relic of Jewish history, would cause the Jews to "flock like doves to the window." We made a study as to its location, and after a most laborious search discovered in an ancient Jewish writing these facts:

"It was also contained in the same writing that the prophet, being warned of God, commanded the tabernacle and the ark to go with him, so he went forth into the mountain (here follows the name of the moun-

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tain); and when Jeremy came hither he found a hollow cave, wherein he laid the tabernacle and the ark and altar of incense, and so stopped the door. And some of those that followed him came to mark the way, but they could not find it. Which when Jeremy perceived he blamed them, saying, As for that place, it shall be unknown until the time that God gather His people again together and receive them unto mercy.

"Then shall the Lord shew them these things and the glory of the Lord shall appear, and the clouds also as it was shewed unto Moses, and when Solomon desired that the place might be honorably sanctified."

From this secret hiding place we hope soon to bring the ark, placing it in the hands of the Zion leaders, the most potent factor in the restoration of the Jew, and we would like to hear by return mail from all those who are interested in its discovery.

CHAS. F. PARHAM.

DECEIVERS.

Here comes a college doctor, a college lawyer and a college preacher, and the devil, their friend and brother!

All went in at the same hole in the wall, and all came out at the same hole! Each with the same object in view, namely, to deceive men! Each one of the three first mentioned has a piece of paper certifying that he is duly qualified to fill any position in his respective calling. And the fourth person mentioned needs no letter of introduction to the class of people they are going to be associated with, for he has managed their affairs to his own satisfaction for many years. And all he requires of his followers is cheek and brazen assumption.

Now his three friends will get down to business in some city; each one putting up a sign reading something like this: Doctor Curen; Lawyer Knowall, and Preacher Good..

Thus their life work begins and soon each one will be busy, for it is stated that a fool is born every minute. And from this class these men will get their living after the fool has become ripe, or mature enough to be plucked. In a few years each individual has succeeded in getting together considerable of the wealth of this world.

But man is only to live here a short time; now the lawyer is upon his dying bed and Death enters; there is no defense. But who are these that are following him? Oh, horror! There stands a little bare-foot boy, all ragged and dirty, and by his side is a poor widow, from whom this college-lawyer took their home, and now they have come to haunt his dying moments; but this little boy looks so much like his little boy; only his boy has plenty, while this little boy is almost naked, and looks so pitiful at the dying man. And this poor widow resembles his wife in many ways; but his wife never knew hunger or cold! Oh, won't they go away and let him die in peace? How gladly now could he give back all his ill-gotten gain if they would only cease to look at him so pitifully. Now he knows that he will

meet all that he has cheated and robbed, and with staring eyes and shrieks of woe this soul passes out of time into eternity. Exit lawyer.

This college doctor is called to exchequer worlds, and his brother and companion, the prince of liars, is there to see that he does not lose a soul! But who are these that gather around his bed with hollow eyes and sunken cheeks! Ah, he knows too well who they are for did he not promise to cure them all? And didn't he promise to rob the grave of its victim if they would give him their money? And did he keep his word with them? No. But he took their money and then left them to die in the poor house; and now, having cheated and robbed men and women by promising them health and life, he is going where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched. Exit doctor.

Now the college manufactured preacher, the worst fraud in the bunch, after many years of lying and deceiving, is called to meet death. Yes, this minister of iniquity, this awful stench upon God's footstool, has got to leave his fine parsonage and all these earthly things he loved so well and meet death and die as all fools die, without mercy, and without hope! Poor soul, he had better never have been born. But who are these that are gathering around his dying bed and pointing their long bony fingers at him and hissing in his ears? Ah, you deceiver! you told us that if we would let you put us under the water and take a little sup of wine and a morsel of bread, that we would be saved! Ah, you lying hypocrite, you sent us to hell with your lying tongue. Ah, you mouthpiece for Satan, you told us to follow you, and we believed you for you looked so good—and pious—and we could not see that heart of ours—that is as black as hell! No, we did not see then but we see now, and we will make hell hot for your lying, blasphemous tongue is the cause of all misery and woe. And the poor soul knows they are telling the truth. But truth never became so sweet to his dying soul until now, and how glad he would be if some one would only tell him he could come back sometime and have another chance! But as the tree falls so it lies. His companion and friend that helped him preach many fiery sermons about dead friends and the pearly gates and golden streets is only waiting to take him where it is too hot for comfort.

Now the reader may enquire what has all this to do with salvation? Not a thing in the world! But the writer is merely showing you that there is a fearful amount of fraud and hypocrisy in the land! And the reader must be prayerful and watchful, or he or she will be caught in one of these modern mantraps that are set to catch the feet of all that fail to obey and trust God. Reader, have you a son at home? If you had keep him there, and away from all high schools and colleges, and raise him in the fear of God, as Abraham brought up his son Isaac, and live the life that Abraham lived before his son, and like Abraham, you can claim God's protective care over him for the promise of

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stand when this world is on fire! and this de-
struction will be soon! Joel, 2:1-11; II Peter, 3:10-12.
When all these high schools and colleges and man made
churches and all the clap-trap of the devil will be de-
stroyed.

JAMES. B. FLINN.

ANTI-CHRIST.

The discussion of this subject has brought forth from
various sources some peculiar teachings, which it is not
our purpose here to discuss, but suffice to say that Anti-
Christ is a man, not a system.

Some hold religious movements are Anti-Christ, but
we declare that no man or religious system is Anti-Christ
or Anti-Christian that honors the blood of Jesus Christ,
His immaculate conception, and Divinity.

Others hold that modern lodges and unions are Anti-
Christ, loudly denouncing them. While we are not per-
sonally a lodge man, yet if the Christian Church had
done its duty in caring for the poor and needy, these
institutions would not have existed, sapping the life of
Churches.

They exist and thrive, because there is a demand for
them, and until the Christian Churches learn to prac-
tice pure and undefiled religion, in caring for the widow
and the fatherless, vain fanatics and cranks should
cease their godless harangue, for if men cease to find
in modern Churches the philanthropy, humanity and
brotherhood for which there is an innate desire in every
human being, is it any wonder that they should seek by
thousand different routes that common feeling of
brotherhood, which is one of the attributes of the Crea-
tor, indelibly stamped upon the creature.

It is true that many Anti-Christian teachers and
doctrines are already in the world! and as Christ was
foreshadowed by the prophets and priests, paving the way
for His coming, so the leaven of iniquity doth now
exceedingly paving the way for the real Anti-
Christ.

Having already read in a previous chapter the sub-
stance of "The Future of Nations," we desire to take up
this chapter at the point where the little horn comes
among the ten. As has already been shown, he
represents three other Kings and becomes the President
of the company of associated Kings. He inaugurates
a system of socialism, and all the territory not gov-
erned by the Czar of Russia (the King of the North), in
the Eastern Hemisphere comes under this system, and
perfectly does he establish this system and so nearly
fashioned after the teachings of Jesus Christ that
he becomes the very idol of the people.

We speak in highest terms of the esteem and devo-
tion paid to our late President. The world at large
gathered to his tomb the flowers of eulogy and garlands of
praise. Truly this is right, and a fitting tribute on the
part of the just and gentle, the heroic and hu-
man. Such lives deserve such tribute. But these

signs of devotion will fade into insignificance when
compared with the worship and homage paid to this
King who shall have brought into practical realization
the dreams of utopian minds. Rebuilding Babylon; he
makes it the seat of his government, having divided
the spoil in the midst of the people; there are public
granaries everywhere, so none lack food; peace, plenty
and happiness reign throughout his domain.

The Jews, eased of the curse, have returned to Zion
and dwell again in Jacob's land, having rebuilt their
temple, and in a certain measure at least re-established
their old worship. Thus is spent the first three and a
half years of the last seven years before Christ comes,
which was pre-figured by the seventieth week of Daniel,
during which time the Jews must be in their own land,
before the anointing of the Most Holy, Christ, the King
of Kings, can take place. (Dan., 9:24.)

About the middle of the week there seems, from the
results that follow, to be a gathering like unto a
World's Fair at Jerusalem. This King, who up until
that time has not been the Anti-Christ, but an exact
imitator and promulgator of the life and teachings of
Jesus, comes up thither to be in attendance, and there,
without reason or cause, is wounded by the sword unto
death. Now this King, as far as his soul is concerned,
passes from the stage of action, and when his deadly
wound is healed (Rev., 13:4) and his body comes to
life it is animated by another spirit entirely.

Teachers upon the subject of Anti-Christ who teach
that Nero, Mohammedism and various systems are
Anti-Christ, fail to see that as Christ was a man, so
the Anti-Christ must be a man, and must really live
as Jesus lived, die and be resurrected to really be
accepted by the Jew and Gentile as the Christ. Coming
as He will in exact imitation of our Lord and Saviour,
the deception is perfect.

Leaving his body lying in state at Jerusalem, wound-
ed unto death, while peoples and gathering nations in
Jerusalem are scattered abroad mourning their loss, let
us go in search of the real Anti-Christ. Read the word
picture of him (Dan., 2:7, 25 and 71:36, 39; also
Revs., 13 and 17, and II Thes., 2:2, 4), wherein Paul
says: "Let no man deceive you by any means, for that
day shall not come except there come a falling away
first, and that man of sin be revealed," and does what
is said of him in Daniel and Revelations.

Now who is this man of sin, "Son of Perdition?"
Judas Iscariot, the arch deceiver. Jesus said of him:
"He is a devil." Just as much a devil incarnate as
Jesus was the Son of God incarnate, and "he was lost
that the scripture might be fulfilled." When he hanged
himself "he went to his own place," to come forth to be
revealed (Gr. to be brought from under cover). Thus
by entering the body of this beloved King lying in state
at Jerusalem, he comes to life, and in him we have a
resurrected Anti-Christ, after whom all the world won-
ders when they see the deadly wound healed. (Rev.,
13:3.)

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In no other way could the Beast be the eighth and of the seventh. And the Beast (Judas Iscariot) that was, and is not, even he is the eighth and of the seventh. (Rev., 17:11.)

Five great Kings have ruled the world. The coming conquest of Russia will make her Czar the sixth great King of the world; while the little horn among the ten, who gains supremacy and control over all the world that Russia does not govern, will be the seventh great King. Thus Judas Iscariot entering into the body of the seventh great King, makes him the eighth yet of the seventh, for there are eight persons occupying seven bodies.

The deception is so complete by this resurrection that, though by right of being King he holds political sway, the Pope then yields unto him all ecclesiastical power, which at that time will be vested in the Pope, while he (the Pope) becomes the False Prophet of Revelation.

Many teachers declare Mohammet to be the false prophet, but he was a true prophet of a false religion, while the coming Pope will become a false prophet of a false Christ, declaring him indeed to be the true Christ.

As they have already formed images of the Virgin Mary and the Son of God, with many other saints, and offer veneration and worship to them, so now by a decree he sets aside the "daily sacrifice" that has been re-established at Jerusalem, and in turn establishes the "abomination that maketh desolate," standing in the Holy place" (Dan., 12:11; Matt., 24:15), or in other words he makes an image to this resurrected Anti-Christ (Judas Iscariot) and causes it to be put in the Holy of Holies in the Temple. A decree is then issued that none can buy or sell, save they have the mark of the Beast or the number of His name in the right hand or in the forehead.

The Bride flees in great haste into the Wilderness of Bashan. Thus begins the last three and one-half years of the last week. (Dan., 12:11.)

Not only does the Anti-Christ come into possession of the political and ecclesiastical supremacy through the Pope, but the Devil yields all his power to him, such as Christian Scientific, Spiritualistic, Hypnotic, Occultism, so that all manner of miracles are wrought, even fire comes down out of heaven in the sight of man, and by some magical device life is put into the image of the Beast so that it speaks.

Henceforth the Word of God reveals a reign of terror, every one is killed—martyred or starved to death—who does not receive the mark of the Beast, and power is given unto him to wear out the Saints of the Most High. In further pursuing their work, the conquest of the United States takes place.

For this reason we urge upon Christians everywhere the seal of the Holy Ghost, for in so doing they shall escape the power of the Anti-Christ as well as the plagues and wraths, the only escape promised in the last days. Should you fail in the reception of a personal Pentecost you will be compelled to either accept

the mark of the Beast, or suffer martyrdom. The record of the falling of the plagues and wraths upon the Kingdom of the Beast, which about this time begins, are too plain in scripture to demand repetition here.

Harrassed by horrible disasters in his own domain, and being pushed at by the Czar of Russia, King of the North, whose imperialistic desire will be and has been to be crowned Emperor of all Asia, on the Holy Sepulcher at Jerusalem (this we have recorded in another chapter), these two Kings gather all their fighting forces together, and finally unite them in the Valley of Esdracelon for the Battle of Armageddon, the record of which is given in another chapter.

At the close of this battle the Anti-Christ and the False Prophet are cast alive into the lake of fire. (Rev., 19:20.)

A TESTIMONY.

I am reading the different copies of your paper as they come to our house, and happy thoughts enter my mind as I look over the last five years and think what great things the dear Lord has done for us since we became acquainted with the Apostolic Faith Movement.

Five years ago last May a very painful tumor appeared on my face, extending from under the left ear to the center of the cheek. After three months' unsuccessful treatment by home physicians, I decided to either go to Kansas City and get myself under the care of a specialist, or to Bro. Parham, who was then at Topeka, and try the Faith cure. My husband had been urging me to go to Topeka, but while I was willing for the Lord to heal me, I was proudly saying to myself, I am older than Bro. Parham and have been a Christian longer, and I guess the Lord would just as soon answer my prayer as his, provided He wanted me healed in that way, not realizing that my lack of humility was one great barrier in the way of getting faith to be healed; in fact, the faith I thought I had on that line simply did not exist. I believed the Lord could cure me, certainly! Every one believes that. I thought I loved Him and I wanted him to have the glory of the healing, but when I came home from Topeka with the tumor as bad as it ever was, and found that a local had been put in our paper showing that I had gone to try the Faith cure, I could not understand why I was not healed for the glory of the Cause. After I was healed I knew that the Father was more interested in the spiritual blessing in store for His child than He was for the glory to Himself, and that while He did not let His servants how faithless I was, He showed them His desire for me to exercise faith for myself, and when I remembered feelings when Bro. Parham, his wife and Sister Lillian prayed for me, how much I was like the old woman who was not surprised when the mountain did not move in answer to her prayer. I began to realize my lack of faith.

Then began a battle with myself. God was very patient

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tient with me, and showed me very plainly before I went to Topeka that I should go there instead of Kansas City.

In reading my Bible I could find nothing in the way but lack of faith.

I could believe that my sins were all pardoned and that I stood pure in the sight of God. But when I began to feed the little faith I had on the line of Divine healing for the body I found it very delicate, and it took six months' feeding to make it large enough to receive the healing for the tumor.

Of course, Satan often interfered. Many times during the six months he told me that if I had gone to Kansas City, I would have been cured, and if I allowed the disease to go on that way, a dreadful death from cancer would be the result.

I kept reading everything I could find on the subject, and finally subscribed for Leaves of Healing. The testimonies I found to be good food and the teaching on that line excellent.

At last one night as I lay on my bed the dear Lord spoke to me and said, "I am healing thee." Again, "I am the Lord that healeth thee." Instantly there was a sensation of drawing in my cheek, and the next morning the main part of the lump was gone. Just a little remaining under the ear, which in time disappeared. Praise His name. Soon after that we threw our medicine away and took the Lord for our physician, and have fared so much better that words seem very tame when attempting to tell to others the blessings we have received since then. I will write another time and tell of some of the wonderful healings and the beautiful lessons we have learned in our experience.

MRS. MATTIE E. FAY.

RECENT REVIVAL WORK.

Old-time religion still continues in Columbus, Kas. Our last issue gave a history until about October 1 of the meeting and its results, and we will resume the narration of events and write praises and thanksgiving to our God and try to outline the wonderful victory which he gave us in our contention for the faith once delivered to the saints. Bro. Parham had arranged for the use of the grounds until October 1, and at this date the interest manifested was so great that it was just an impossibility to close the meetings; so a committee of ladies was appointed to interview the owner of the ground, with the result that the use of it was secured for one more week, during the interval from October 1 to October 8. God continued to pour out his spirit upon all flesh, and signs, wonders, mighty deeds, divers miracles and gifts of the Holy Ghost were manifested in reclaiming, converting, healing, sanctifying and baptizing with the Holy Ghost the souls and bodies of men and women. Sunday afternoon, October 8, fully one hundred seekers were at the altar, and the throng was so great around Bro. Parham that in order to give him egress some of the workers picked him up bodily

and passed fully as large both afternoon claim were poured by the regeneration meeting was virt in Columbus, exc called for Sunday, the tent was removed the street east, where par to Joplin, Galena, Empi tour of visitation to the various leaving Bro. John James in charge.

Of a certainty our God is not barren of miracles still exists, for in no other manner the miraculous can such happenings as the counted for, viz: During the progress of the a call for help came from Texas one Saturday without enough funds at hand to pay a day rate graph message, Bro. Parham waited until after 6 o'clock and sent the workers in Texas a telegram to hold fort, that help would come to them the following Tuesday, and after calling upon our God to supply this need he miraculously did it, providing \$45 with which to send two of the workers to the Southland, Sister Lillie Thistlethwaite and Sara Bradbury, going for the purpose. During the week following their departure \$500 was needed to get out the paper, and Friday our God was importuned to supply this need, with the result that the paper was ordered out. Again Bro. Parham asked the Lord to supply \$100 before a certain date and this sum our good Lord fully supplied, giving an excess of \$15 more than was asked for.

On Monday, October 9, Bro. Parham asked the workers to earnestly pray for the sum of \$500 to be furnished before the band workers left for the South, and truly our needs were in this respect by Him supplied according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. According to your faith, be it unto you.

This Apostolic Faith Movement has come to stay, and the Faith once delivered to the saints is earnestly being contended for by the followers of this movement, and as John the Baptist was the messenger heralding the first coming of Christ, so do we believe that God has raised up this movement accompanied by the baptism of the Holy Ghost, as the heralding of the second advent of the King of Glory, just prior to whose coming there shall be such a time of tribulation as has never been or ever will be again. This full gospel of Jesus must be preached to all the world, and then the Lord will come, and when these signs begin to come to pass, look up, for your redemption draweth nigh.

Sunday, October 15th, a grand farewell meeting was held which continued over until Monday night at midnight, and great crowds of people daily and nightly attended the services. Monday night about half past ten Bro. Parham and the workers, about twenty in number, stood on the platform and the altar in front, and

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at about 8:30 o'clock we ar- The decaid, Texas, and were warmly welcomed and though byrtained by God's dear children, remaining the Pope, day morning, October 21, and during our which we daily and nightly services were held, and (thing showers of God's blessings were poured out.

Friday morning at 6:30 a. m. we left Orchard-en Pite for Houston, and at Alvin, having a lay-over of Jout five hours, we held tw street meetings, one in the morning and one after lunch, and the people were so pleased that as we were getting ready to leave several citizens came to Bro. Parham and earnestly requested him to return and hold meetings there. At about 4 o'clock the party arrived in Houston, and were met at the depot by several of the first band workers, who accompanied Bro. Parham to the South. Saturday night two street meetings were held, the last one in the slums, and while there a crazy man broke into the midst of the band and proclaimed himself Jesus Christ, offering to forgive all sins if any person would but touch him. Bro. Parham quietly led him out, remarking that he did not belong to our band.

Saturday's street services were new and novel experiences to several of the workers, and such were strongly impressed that God had led them into His service in the right direction and with unerring hand.

Sunday all day services were held in Bryan Hall, and a large crowd of people engaged in worship and praise to our God, both day and night.

We are now, Monday, October 23, holding an all-day business meeting in Brunner Tabernacle, making final arrangements for the present Texas campaign. God reigns and Apostolic Faith, which is Apostolic Succession, is catching.

SENTENCE SERMONS.

The martyr's crown was never found by looking for it.

The love of the Lord never yet led men to hate one another.

A man may be solid on the time card and still miss the train.

Many a sister spoils her testimony in the church by her tongue in the kitchen.

The greatest miracle is the casting out of the devil of self.

Love may be mis-understood, but it never misunderstands.

Harvest Nail Stone

Isa. 28: 17.



His watchmen are blind—Isa. 56:10.
They are all dumb dogs.—Isa. 56: 10.
They are greedy dogs.—Isa. 56: 11.
They are shepherds that cannot understand —Isa. 56: 11.

THEY ARE ALL IGNORANT.

ISA. 56: 10.

LEADERS,—Isa 9: 16; Matt. 15: 14.

GUIDES,—Matt. 23: 24.

WATCHMEN,—Isa. 56: 10.

SHEPHERDS,—Ezek. 34: 2, 4, 8, 9, 10; Jer. 50: 6.
Jer. 25: 34, 36

PASTORS,—Jer. 23: 1; Jer. 10: 21; Jer. 12: 10.

HIRELINGS,—John 10: 13.

DOGS,—Isa. 56: 10, 11; Rev. 22: 15.

Thus saith the Lord God—"Behold, I am

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The shepherds, and I will cause them to CEASE FROM FEEDING THE FLOCK."—Ezek. 34: 10.

Listen to Peter:—"Be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy Prophets."

II Peter 3: 2

This little article is published for the special benefit of the common people. It calls attention to a line of Bible truths that are not taught from the pulpit or in Sunday Schools.

Its object is to show WHY the Bible is being publicly assailed in the house of its friends.—Zech. 13; 6.

March 6, the Rev. S. P. Cadman, a "learned" Methodist minister of New York, before an audience of FOUR HUNDRED LEADING MINISTERS of New York, took the position that the Bible was "fallible," "inaccurate," "uninspired," "contradictory," and mostly of "UNKNOWN ORIGIN."

HE WAS APPLAUDED!

Darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people.—Isa. 60: 2.

Their Shepherds have caused them to go astray —Jer. 50: 6.

LET THE BIBLE DEFEND ITSELF

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give it our vote, now let them return the favor, and come along and help us. It seems that heaven is bankrupt,